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PATENTApplication Serial No. 09/685,079  
Attorney Docket No. 00-039**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please REPLACE the First Paragraph of the Specification, beginning at page 1, line 3, and beginning with the words "The present application claims benefit", with the following **REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH**:

The present application claims the benefit of (i) U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/208,731 entitled "WEBHOUSE® Rebate Certificates" filed June 2, 2000; and (ii) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/221,457, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING A SUBSCRIPTION TO A PRODUCT IN A RETAIL ENVIRONMENT", filed on December 28, 1998, and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,415,262 on July 2, 2002, which itself is a continuation-in-part of and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/889,589, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING AND MANAGING SUBSCRIPTION PURCHASE AGREEMENTS INCLUDING COMMITMENTS TO PURCHASE GOODS OVER TIME AT AGREED UPON PRICES", filed on July 8, 1997, and issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,970,470 on October 19, 1999. The entire contents of each of these this applications being hereby is incorporated herein-by reference herein.